

**Village of Volente Regular Council Meeting,  
Tuesday, November 17, 2009, 7:00 P.M.  
6:30 P.M. Council Photo Session  
VVFD and Community Center, 15406 FM 2769, Volente, Texas.**

**1. Call to order and Announce a Quorum is Present.** Mayor Yenawine called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Jan Yenawine, Mark Scott, Matthew Hammond, Chris Wilder, Fred Graber and Justine Blackmore Hlista.

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG** Mayor Yenawine led the pledge and Justine Blackmore-Hlista read the vision statement.

**3. VISTOR/CITIZENS FORUM:** \_No comments.

**4.** Pedernales representative Sonny Ponce update. Mr. Ponce presented Council with franchise check for \$5681.03. He reported that refund check has been mailed and that December bills should reflect a lower cost per watt. Councilman Chris Wilder praised the PEC Auditor who came out to do the energy audit for the fire hall.

**5. SECOND PUBLIC HEARING: No Public Input**

A public hearing on the proposed annexation of all portions of that certain tract or parcel of land not previously annexed into the Village, said tract being described as Tracts V-1, V-2, V-3, V-4, V-5 and V-6, one-half mile or less in width, contiguous and adjacent to the Village, vacant and without residents and as such can be annexed by the Village of Volente, Type B General Law municipality into the village limits of the Village under the provisions of Section 43.028 of Local Government Code. Two of two public hearings.

**6. Second PUBLIC HEARING: No Public Input**

A public hearing on the proposed deannexation of all portions of that certain tract or parcel of land previously annexed into the Village, said tract being at least ten(10) acres, more or less, described as Tracts A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 and A-6 contiguous to the municipality and is vacant and without residents. Pursuant to Section 43.144, Texas Local Government Code, type B General Law Municipality. Two of two public hearings.

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**7. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of November 5, 2009**

**a. Discussion and possible action on the final replat and site plan of Highland Bend Estates, Lot 34 and Lot 35 Lake Travis Subdivision No 4.**

City Secretary gave recommendations from P&Z to Council that they were recommending conditional approval requiring that the conduit for all three utilities be installed and a letter from TXDOT stating that they will take responsibility for maintaining the line of site in the ROW.

Engineer Aaron Pesek gave presentation to Council on the subdivision stating that the PEC easement will not be abandoned and asked that the 30 day filing requirement be waived until he can get PEC to get their letters completed. Justine made a motion to conditionally approve the final replat and site plan for Highland Bend Estates, Lot 34 and Lot 35 Lake Travis Subdivision No.4 with the condition as per Planning and Zoning recommendation. Mark Scott seconded. All agreed.

**b. Discussion and possible action to approve a waiver from the 30 day filing requirement for Highland Bend Estates, Lot 34 and Lot 35 Lake Travis Subdivision No. 4.** Justine Blackmore-Hlista made a motion to waive the filing requirement for 90 days. Matthew Hammond seconded. All agreed.

**8. Discussion and update regarding the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG).** Chris Wilder gave Council update on the audit that was done at the fire hall stating that the money would be used to replace the air conditioning and heating plus change out the lights to more energy efficient fixtures.

**9. Discussion and possible action on contract for the services of legislative consultant, Sandra Haverlah, to provide assistance with efforts to oppose the proposed change to the TCEQ discharge rules.** Ms Haverlah briefed Council on the TCEQ meeting regarding the Discharge Rule that will be held November 18 at 9:30 AM stating that it can be watched on line. She felt that they would assign a study group to further research the project before making a ruling. She presented Council with a proposal for retaining her services at \$1500.00 a month. Justine Blackmore-Hlista made motion to approve the retaining of the consultant with the rewrite of the contract stating that a monthly report will be a given and it will be a standing agenda item. Matthew Hammond seconded with all others agreeing.

**10. Discussion and possible action regarding surveying the intersection of Lime Creek RD and Wharf Cove to possibly relocate the warning lights.** Mayor Yenawine reported that the intersection needed to be surveyed so that the warning lights at the intersection could be moved as they are constantly being knocked down by large trucks and trailers. Estimated cost of the survey will be \$500-\$900. Justine Blackmore-Hlista made a motion to approve the survey with Chris Wilder seconding. All agreed.

**11. Discussion and possible action on the Public Works projects:**

**a. Tree Trimming Bid:** Matthew Hammond gave bid proposal to Council. Budget needs to be adjusted for the project. This item was tabled

**b. Mowing:** Mowing on Lime Creek Rd was completed and Travis County will be contacted to get on herbicide schedule.

**c. Road Projects:** Discussion ensued of retaining a maintenance person to keep ROW maintained and signs installed. Justine Blackmore-Hlista made a motion to authorize Matthew Hammond to negotiate and make a list of the projects needed with a cap of \$2500 per project. Fred Graber seconded, all agreed.

Matthew Hammonds also reported that the bids for Debbie and West should go out next week. Justine Blackmore-Hlista made a motion to allow Geo Solutions to release information for bids with Chris Wilder seconding. All agreed.

**12. Approval of Minutes: October 20, 2009** Matthew Hammond made motion to approve with corrections. Chris Wilder seconded. All agreed.

**October 26, 2009:** Mark Scott made a motion to approve with Justine Blackmore-Hlista seconding. All agreed.

**November 2, 2009.** Mark Scott made a motion to approve with Justine Blackmore-Hlista seconding. All agreed.

**November 5, 2009:** Chris Wilder made a motion to approve with corrections. Justine Blackmore-Hlista seconded. All agreed.

**13. Discussion and review of Financial report.** Reviewed

**14. Future Meetings and agenda items.** Joint meeting December 2<sup>nd</sup> and next regular meeting December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**15. Adjourn.** Matthew Hammond made a motion to adjourn with Chris Wilder seconding. All agreed. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF DECEMBER, 2009

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Jan Yenawine, Mayor

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Jennifer Zufelt, City Secretary